

A NEW RHAGOVELIA FROM CUBA

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*Ames, Iowa**Rhagovelia mira* D. & H., sp. nov.

Rather large, brownish, with prominent pale yellow markings. Antennæ dark brown, the basal portion of segment I pale yellow; proportions, I:II:III:IV=60:30:35:31. Rostrum stout, extending to about middle of mesonotum; yellowish, the apex black. Legs stout, rather densely clothed with long hairs; anterior legs with coxæ, trochanters, and basal two-thirds of femora yellowish, their tibiæ not especially widened distally. Intermediate legs dark brown, coxæ and trochanters yellowish, apical tarsal segment distinctly longer than preceding. Hind legs extremely stout, the coxæ, trochanters and most of femora within yellowish; femora enormously swollen, armed within with two rows of spines, the spines much larger along distal two-thirds. Tibiæ strongly curved, beset within with stout spines, with a very large, stout spine at apical fourth. Pronotum not covering mesonotum, much shorter than broad, the hind margin broadly rounded; yellowish, the anterior margin and apical half dark brown. Mesonotum yellowish. Head convex above, yellowish brown, darker near eyes. Abdomen dark brown, a large yellowish spot on each of last five segments, the spots becoming larger distally. Connexivum yellowish brown, the margins of the segments dark. Length, 4.60 mm.; width, 1.70 mm.

Holotype, apterous male, two apterous male paratypes, and one teneral male, Sierra Maestra, Cuba, July 10-20, 1922, 3000-4250 ft., collected by C. H. Ballou and S. C. Bruner, authors' collection.

This species is easily recognized by its color, the greatly inflated hind femora, and the nature of the pronotum. The female and winged form are unknown.

THE FIRE AT THE OREGON STATE COLLEGE

Prof. H. A. Scullen writes me that the recent fire at the Oregon State College did not affect the building in which the entomological collections are housed. This will be welcome news to our western entomologists, as, in addition to the types, there is much valuable material in the Oregon collection.—E. P. Van Duzee.